University, 30,906 new students have been admitted to BCA programme in 2001 session.

(c) and (d) IGNOU launched its B.C.A. programme in 1996 and the year-wise information on number of admitted students and those who passed is as under:

Year	New Admission	Passed
1996	2808	Not Applicable
1997	12249	Not Applicable
1998	19037	Not Applicable
1999	19186	6
2000	19037	105
2001	30906	—

IGNOU works through the distance education system which is flexible in terms of time and place. Most of the students at IGNOU are employed and they appear in the term-end examinations as per their choice. It is different from the conventional educational system where students complete their programmes within a specified time. For completion of the BCA programme, students at IGNOU get time from 3 to 6 years.

Promotion of Hindi in Non-Hindi Speaking Regions

300. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of ongoing programmes for promoting Hindi language education in non-Hindi speaking regions, indicating State-wise allocations made during Ninth Five Year Plan against each scheme;

(b) the different schemes of Human Resource Development Programme financed by the Central Government in the North Eastern States for 2000-2001, State-wise;

(c) whether implementation of the programmes, including text booking the NER, has suffered greatly due to acute financial crisis faced by Assam Rashtrabhasa Prashar Samiti;

(d) if so, the factors evaluated and solutions found out; and

(e) the status of the proposal submitted by that Samiti during September, 2000 for text books, etc.?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (e) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Damage to Educational Institutions in Orissa, West Bengal and Gujarat

301. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU:
SHRI B. J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of damage to Educational Institutions in Orissa super cyclone, floods in West Bengal and earthquake in Gujarat, giving details thereof, separately;

(b) whether any amount has been contributed by Government to these States to restore and reconstruct these institutions; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) 20189 schools and educational institutions upto university level were affected by the cyclone that hit orissa in October, 1999. The Government of India has allotted Rs. 33.08 crores for restoration/reconstruction of these institutions.

42939 schools/educational institutions were damaged in the Gujarat Earthquake. The Government has earmarked Rs. 150 crores under the Education Reconstruction Plan for Gujarat.